

**REMARKS**

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The abstract and specification have been amended to overcome the objections thereto.

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended to overcome their indefiniteness.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application or should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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